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LEONARD ANNOUNCES FREE TAX SEMINAR FOR NONPROFIT AND EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS IN CHINO

State Board of Equalization (BOE) Member Bill Leonard, along with Assemblywoman Gloria Negrete McLeod, is sponsoring a free one-day tax seminar to assist nonprofit and exempt organizations in Chino and surrounding areas.

Leonard encourages those involved with nonprofit and exempt organizations to attend and learn how tax laws and reporting requirements affect their operations. Topics will include property taxes, employment taxes, sales taxes, and other relevant tax laws for nonprofit organizations.

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Experts from the BOE, the Employment Development Department, the Franchise Tax Board, the Office of the Attorney General, and the Internal Revenue Service will be on hand to assist attendees.

Date: Thursday, October 5, 2006

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.)

Place: CrossPoint Church

6950 Edison Avenue Chino, CA 91710

Those wishing to attend may register online at http://www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/nonprofitsched.htm. For more information please call 916 341-7389.

Bill Leonard, of Sacramento/Ontario, was elected to his first term as Second District Member of the State Board of Equalization in 2002. Prior to his election, he served in the State Assembly (1978-1988, 1996-2002) and in the State Senate (1988-1996).

The five-member Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board collects almost \$50 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and plays a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes.

Other Board Members include Betty T. Yee of San Francisco, Acting Member, First District; Claude Parrish of Long Beach, Third District; Chairman John Chiang of Los Angeles, Fourth District; and State Controller Steve Westly.

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